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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No.: 09/732,189                Examiner: Hussein A. El-chanti  
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For: PEER PROTOCOL STATUS QUERY IN CLUSTERED COMPUTER  
SYSTEM

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the references listed on the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08a are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references are also enclosed.

No representation is made that the references are "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 102 or § 103. Moreover, any explanations herein are not to be taken as a representation that the references have been thoroughly reviewed. In particular, no representation as to the relative relevance of any portion of the references is intended.

It will be noted that U.S. Application No. 09/178,924 is being resubmitted, along with a copy of the Application. This reference was originally submitted on June 4, 2001, but not considered by the Examiner.

Consideration of the references and the remarks presented herein in the above-identified application is respectfully requested. Authorization for a credit card charge for the \$180.00 fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c) is granted in the attached Electronic Fee Sheet.

If there are any questions regarding this paper, or which might otherwise further this case onto allowance, please contact the undersigned at (513) 241-2324. Moreover, if any other charges or credits are necessary to complete this communication, please apply them to Deposit Account 23-3000.

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